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A Message from our ILNA President: Andrew Reiber

Greetings Everyone:

Well that time of year has come where the holidays are quickly approaching. If you are thinking of a gift idea for the coin collector in your life the U.S. Mint just released the 2016 Gold Walking Liberty Half Dollar. This coin minted in one half ounce pure gold, and other numismatic selections are available online through the U.S. Mint. What better gift to reward a seasoned numismatist or spark the interest of a new collector.

Since this is my first letter as ILNA President I would like to give members a brief background of myself. My name is Andrew Reiber and I operated Jade Rare Coins in Grand Rapids, Michigan from January 1998 until its sale in 2015. I am currently in the process of starting a new store called Broadway Jewelry and Rare Coins in Bradley, Illinois which should be opened in December 2016. I have served as an ILNA Board member since 2002 and was appointed to Vice President in 2009 when Steve Harrison became President. During that time I have assisted Mr. Harrison in executive decision making, running board meetings in his absence and serving as auctioneer at the ILNA Youth Auction. Steve Harrison did an excellent job as ILNA President and I hope to carry on with his leadership skills.

Our most recent board meeting was held in Bradley where I asked each board member to suggest a way to help improve ILNA and promote numismatics in Illinois. The suggestions were prioritized and the idea of offering the Digest in digital form took precedence. This goal would benefit ILNA over the years as it would save thousands of dollars in printing and mailing costs.

At the ILNA show this September, the Youth Auction had almost 50 participants bidding on hundreds of coins donated by attending dealers. All the kids participating were given ILNA dollars for bidding as well as the chance to earn extra dollars for correctly answering numismatic questions from participating dealers on the bourse floor. Once again I served as auctioneer and noticed many of these young collectors have become quite experienced at auction bidding.

This year's ILNA show was a success and we are looking forward to another fine show in 2017 as the show relocates to Pheasant Run in St. Charles. The move was beneficial for financial and scheduling reasons. The ILNA Board is looking forward to the new location and again having Fox Valley Coins host the coin auction come 2017. I am looking forward to serving as ILNA President for the next two years and will be happy to answer any questions members would like to ask. Thank you.

Happy Holidays,

Andrew Reiber
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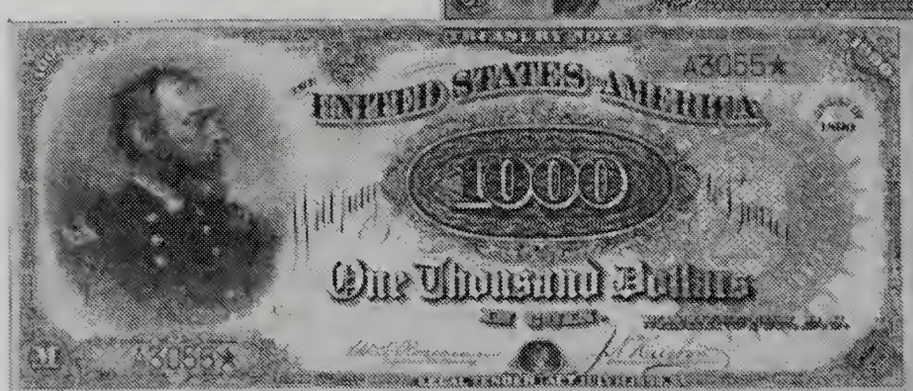
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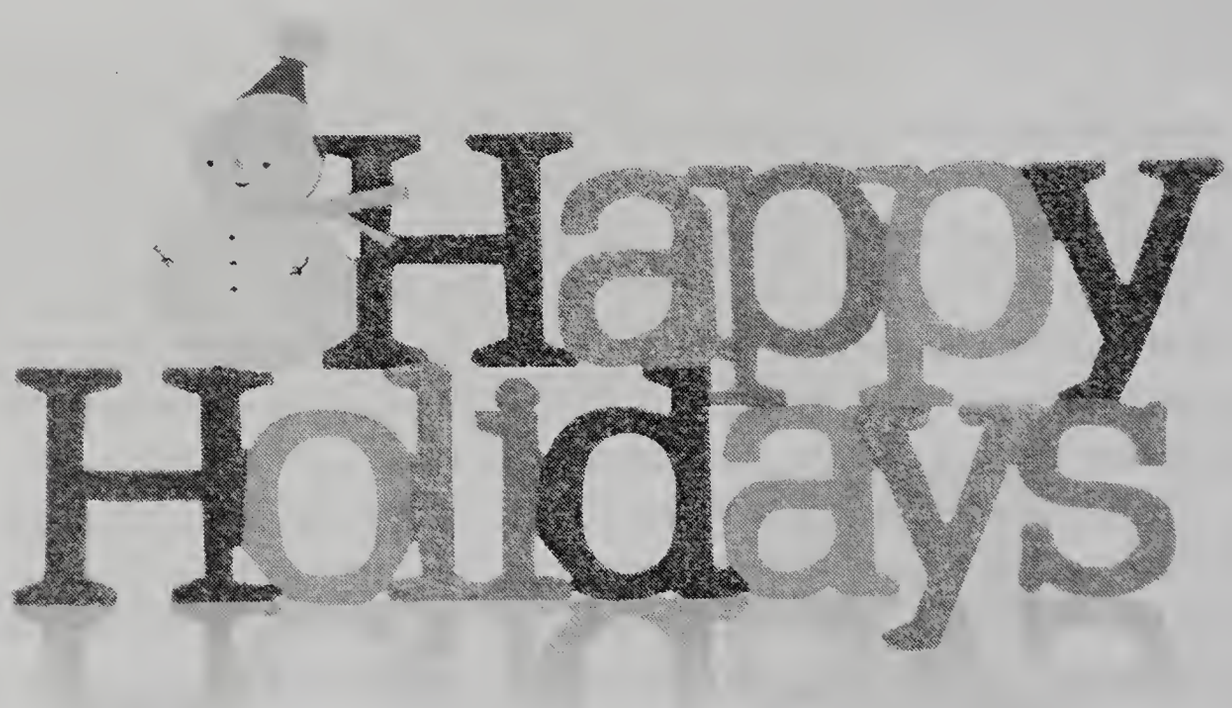
John Schikora

On October 30th the fall meeting was held with Andy Reiber manning the helm as the new ILNA President. The meeting ran for two hours with the new president asking each board member for their input on how to keep ILNA moving forward as an educative and productive organization. Topics ranged from offering digital digest mailing, stationing an ILNA table at club shows, offering more seminars and exhibits at the annual show, inviting members to serve on the Board, pushing the Young Numismatist Program, and revamping the Library Book Program. The topic of offering the Digest in digital form was chosen as the first topic to undertake and will be discussed further at the next board meeting.

On September 22nd – 24th ILNA held its 57th Annual Coin Show and once again it was at the Tinley Park Convention Center. The show was well attended with public attendance well over 1000 people. Dealers I spoke to were very pleased with the turnout and the amount of business they conducted. As with every year, a large amount of credit and a big thank you goes out to Jim and Joyce Paicz for the tireless effort they put forth each year planning and executing the Annual ILNA Convention. This year's show was another success even though the bourse floor was not sold out as it has been in the past. There were many fine seminars presented on Friday and Saturday due in part with help from Carl Wolf and the Chicago Coin Club. On Friday evening Fox Valley Coins hosted another fine auction which had many numismatic rarities up for bidding and lastly the ever popular youth auction was held Saturday afternoon to cap off the three day show. The room was filled with young numismatists bidding on all the items generously donated by the dealers who set up at the show. ILNA would like to thank all the dealers who contributed, for without their donations the youth auction would not be possible. Starting in 2017 the ILNA show will be moving to its new location at Pheasant Run in St. Charles. Due to rising costs at Tinley Park it proved more beneficial to move the show especially with the rate that was offered and not to mention the pleasant surroundings at Pheasant Run. Hopefully this will start a new chapter for the annual convention and will be gratifying to all who attend.

In the opening paragraph I mentioned one topic discussed at the board meeting was inviting members to serve on the ILNA Board. Coin and currency dealer Costa Roupas has expressed interest in filling one of the vacant Governor seats. Please take a moment and read his biography on page 21 in this edition of the Digest. If any members would like to comment on Mr. Roupas serving as a Governor please send your feedback to me at the e-mail address listed below by January 20th. Any feedback will presented at the winter board meeting where a vote will be taken for his appointment. Just a reminder there is still one vacant seat for anyone who would like to consider serving as an ILNA Governor. I hope everyone has a nice holiday season and a prosperous new year.

John Schikora
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A NOTE FROM BOURSE CHAIRMAN

Jim Paicz

Hello Everyone:

Well it's time to announce that after nine years the ILNA show has concluded its run at the Tinley Park Convention Center. Due to annual increases the ILNA Board voted unanimously to relocate the show to a more accommodating location. Starting in September 2017 the new location for the ILNA show will be at Pheasant Run in Saint Charles, IL. We have a four year agreement with this inviting and outstanding venue. Hotel rates start at $99 per night for a room along the golf course and $119 per night for a room in the hotel tower. ILNA needs to honor 71 room nights so you may want to make reservations early to lock in these special rates. The hotel portion of the facility offers three restaurants, an indoor/outdoor pool, health spa and a comedy club. Once again Fox Valley Coins will be the host of the annual ILNA auction. If anyone is interested in consigning coins or currency for the 2017 auction you can phone Fox Valley Coins at 630-791-9757 or e-mail at foxvalleycoins@gmail.com.

Over Veterans Day weekend I had the honor of visiting the Boy Scout Camp in Frisco, Texas. Watching those young kids learning how to carve soap, cook cobbler, etc. reminded me of all the talk of young kids not interested in exploring the numismatic hobby. We as a community need to do something to peak their interest and the way I see is we need to teach them. I figure if we do not help them learn, who will? My thought is to start youth coin clubs at neighborhood libraries. I would like to get thoughts and ideas from ILNA members concerning this topic. Please send e-mails to ILNA President Andrew Reiber at **andrew.reiber@yahoo.com** and let us know what you think. Thank you for taking time out to help the numismatic youth of tomorrow.

Here's to wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Jim Paicz
Bourse Chairman
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Board Meeting Minutes

YOUR ILNA COIN CLUB BUSINESS
FROM ILNA SECRETARY JOHN SCHIKORA

ILLINOIS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2016
TINLEY PARK CONVENTION CENTER

ROLL CALL

President Steve Harrison called the meeting to order at 4:02pm. Also in attendance were Vice President Andrew Reiber, Secretary John Schikora, Treasurer Bruce Perdue, Governors Jim Paicz, Bill Burd, Joyce Paicz, Kevin Timmons, Richard Prouty, and John Stankus. Steve Butler and Brian Jaskierski each had an excused absence.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Steve Harrison asked if all board members read the minutes from the summer meeting which were e-mailed July 28th, after discussion Andrew Reiber motioned to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Bruce Perdue, passed unanimously. To date, the State of Illinois has not issued any new guidelines for coin dealers or shop owners. After seven years serving as ILNA President, Harrison expressed his thanks to the Board and specific individuals in general for their help and support during his tenure.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

John Schikora introduced Andrew Reiber as the new ILNA Pesident and Bruce Perdue as the new Treasurer. Although Steve Harrison and Bill Burd have stepped down from their respective positions, they will remain as board members.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bruce Perdue reported the organization is financially sound with a balance between assets and liabilities/capital of $82,018.45. Andrew Reiber motioned to accept the report as read, seconded by Bill Burd, passed unanimously.

LIBRARY BOOK REPORT

Andrew Reiber stated all books for 2016 distribution are at Chicago Coin Company ready for shipment. Bill Burd said shipping costs should be under $1000. 2016 will be the tenth year of the Library Book Program where 480 libraries throughout Illinois will have received book donations. This year 48 libraries, included in the above figure, will each be receiving nine book donations.

BOURSE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Jim Paicz reported 173 tables were sold with a projected profit of $4000 not including compensation from Fox Valley Coin. Contracts for the 2017 and 2018 ILNA shows at Pheasant Run in St. Charles have been signed.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Joyce Paiz reported ILNA currently has 416 members consisting of 149 regular, 126 youth, 112 life and 29 club.

WEBMASTER'S REPORT

Bruce Perdue reported the ILNA website is now device friendly where the webpage will fit the screen of any computer device being used. Any ILNA members who wish to receive the Digest digitally will have it e-mailed with a PDF attachment.

OLD BUSINESS

The topic of Central States presenting an educational program for the 2017 show was discussed. Bruce Perdue said Central States does two presentations a year and he feels they should be done at a state show. Ray Lockwood would supply a certain number of speakers for seminar presentations and ILNA can recommend topics to be presented. The idea will be discussed further at the fall meeting. Bill Burd said the insurance policy covering all board members is in effect.

NEW BUSINESS

Since the ILNA show is moving to Pheasant Run in 2017 and they have a golf course on the property, Andrew Reiber suggested having a golf outing on Wednesday the day before the ILNA show begins. He stated many coin dealers are avid golfers and this could be another way of generating show revenue. The topic will be discussed further at the fall meeting. The next board meeting will be held October 30th at 4:00 pm in Bradley at the Quality Inn.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:38 pm Andrew Reiber motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Kevin Timmons, passed unanimously.



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Board Meeting Minutes

YOUR ILNA COIN CLUB BUSINESS

FROM ILNA SECRETARY JOHN SCHIKORA

ILLINOIS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
FALL BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER, 30, 2016
QUALITY INN ~ BRADLEY, ILLINOIS

ROLL CALL

President Andrew Reiber called the meeting to order at 4:02pm. Also in attendance were Secretary John Schikora, Treasurer Bruce Perdue, Chairman of the Board Steve Harrison, Governors Bill Burd, Steve Butler, Brian Jaskierski, Jim Paicz, Joyce Paicz and Richard Prouty. John Stankus and Kevin Timmons each had an excused absence.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Andrew Reiber asked if all board members read the minutes from the Tinley Park meeting which were e-mailed October 14th. After discussion, Bruce Perdue motioned to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Steve Harrison, passed unanimously. Reiber asked each board member for their input on how to help improve ILNA for the future. Ideas were presented and discussed and those with higher importance will be discussed in depth at the next meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bruce Perdue presented the balance sheet ending October 30th with total assets consisting of $500.00 in petty cash, $78,964.88 checking balance and two certificates of deposit in the amounts of $11,936.46 and $25,587.36. Working capital consisted of $28,552.36 in net income, $13,190.14 in retained earnings and a beginning balance of $75,246.20. There were no outstanding liabilities. Assets and working capital balanced at $116,988.70. Perdue pointed out the excess amount of cash in the ILNA checking account and recommended purchasing a two year $25,000 CD. After discussion Steve Harrison motioned to purchase the CD, seconded by Jim Paicz, passed unanimously. Steve Harrison then motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report as read, seconded by Bill Burd, passed unanimously.

LIBRARY BOOK REPORT

Bill Burd reported 2016 was the tenth year ILNA has sent out book donations to 480 public libraries throughout Illinois. To date 4512 books have been donated.

BOURSE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Jim Paicz reported 2016 show revenue of $53,480.00 and expenses of $36,700.35 leaving a net profit of $16,799.65. The Fox Valley Coin Auction was discussed and the Board decided the best course of action is to carry over the terms of the 2016 auction to 2017. Steve Harrison motioned to offer Fox Valley Coins the same contract terms from the 2016 auction for 2017, seconded by Bruce Perdue, passed unanimously. Contracts for the 2017 and 2018 shows which will be held at Pheasant Run in St. Charles have been signed. New lanyards need to be purchased. Jim Paicz talked with a manufacturer who will charge 63 cents per lanyard with no set up fee provided 500 lanyards are ordered. The total order cost would be $334.69 with the Board approving the lanyard purchase. Radio advertising on WIND AM 560 for the 2017 show was discussed. Radio spots will cost $975 per week with 28 runs per week. If eight weeks total are purchased, a one hour interview is included which could be uploaded to the ILNA website for playback. Jim Paicz recommended that ILNA purchase three weeks at $975 per week and Greater Chicago purchase three weeks for each of their two shows. The joint venture would then include the one hour interview. Bruce Perdue motioned to accept the recommendation, seconded by Steve Harrison, passed unanimously except for Jim Paicz who abstained. To date 100 tables have been sold for the 2017 show.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Joyce Paicz said ILNA currently has 430 members consisting of 152 regular, 137 youth, 112 life and 29 club.

WEBMASTER'S REPORT

Bruce Perdue said the ilnaclub.org website is up and running on the John Nebel server at no cost. The ILNA domain name was renewed in January 2016 for five years at $105. It was suggested offering dealers on the show list the opportunity to have their name on the website show dealer list linked to their website at a nominal fee. The option can be listed on the dealer bourse application. The topic will be discussed further at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

The Central States Educational Program was discussed. If ILNA is interested in hosting a seminar program they would need to contact Ray Lockwood. ILNA would pick the presentation day and the topics to be discussed and Mr. Lockwood would organize the presentation program. The cost to attend would be $20 for members and $40 for non-members. Bruce Perdue and Bill Burd will serve on the seminar committee. The topic of having Hobo Nickel Carver Archie Taylor attend the ILNA show in 2017 was discussed. Afterwards, Bruce Perdue motioned to have Mr. Taylor attend the 2017 show with ILNA covering his expenses up to $1000, seconded by Steve Harrison, passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

The following dates for the 2017 board meetings are February 24th at 3:00pm in Tinley Park at the Greater Chicago Show, April 29th at 10:00am in Schaumburg at the Central States Show, July 23rd at 2:00pm in Springfield at the Central Illinois Show, September 22nd at 3:00pm in Tinley Park at the ILNA Show and October 29th at 4:00pm in Bradley at the Quality Inn. The 2017 dates for printed digest material to be received are February 15th, May 15th, August 15th and November15th. The digest mailing dates are March 15th, June15th, August 30th and December15th.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:02pm Bruce Perdue motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Brian Jaskierski, passed unanimously.



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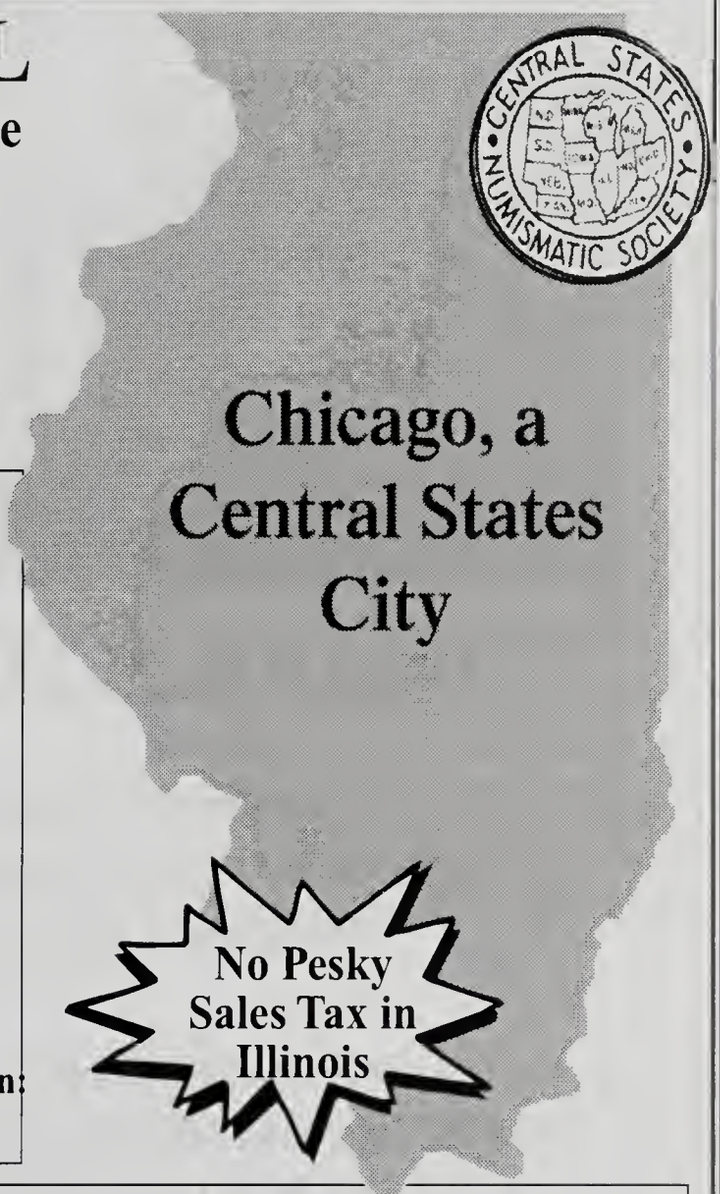
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Biography of Costa Roupas:
Seeking appointment to ILNA Board

My name is Costa Roupas and I am seeking to fill a vacant seat on the ILNA Board. In 1989 I started collecting at the age of eleven after someone gave me a 1964 Kennedy Half Dollar as a tip. This gesture prompted me to start reading books about coins and paper money. I began visiting local coin shops in the Racine and Milwaukee area and became acquainted with several dealers who informed me about an upcoming coin show. After attending my first coin show in Milwaukee, I immediately gained a passion for the hobby.

In 2005 I graduated from college with a degree in Criminal Justice and later became a patrol officer with the Racine Police Department. During my time on the force I attended many coin shows being a part time coin and currency dealer. In 2011 I left the force to pursue a lifelong passion in numismatics and later that year opened Costa's Coin and Currency in Libertyville, Illinois. With my college degree I believe safety and security are of utmost importance to the coin industry. Recently I helped police apprehend some criminals who attempted to pass more than $500,000 in counterfeit checks to purchase gold bullion.

I believe in educating others about the importance of numismatic history in the hobby. I am currently a member of ILNA, ANA, CSNS, PCDA and FUN and would embrace the opportunity to serve as a Governor on the ILNA Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Any ILNA members who would like to offer feedback to Costa Roupas serving on the ILNA Board will have until January 20, 2017 to reply. Feedback can be sent to ILNA Secretary John Schikora at jschikora@att.net. We ask that all comments be professional.



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What are the best dollars we can afford?

by Mark Benvenuto

When a person reads the national numismatic magazines and newspapers, they can be forgiven for thinking that just about every week or month some incredibly valuable coin goes across the auction block. It almost seems like the hobby has become one of massive expenditures and giant auctions, or of nothing at all. To be fair to those big publications though, big sales make news. Not many folks want to hear about other folks buying and selling a pile of $10 coins. But it does leave us "$10 collectors," if that's a proper name, somewhat out in the cold. To bring us back in, let's do an examination of a couple of amazing coins, but coins that don't cost a fortune. What might be the best Morgan dollar and the best Peace dollar a person can buy without spending insanely?
First, the Morgan.

A logical way to go at finding the best and most affordable Morgan dollar might be to look at the official Mint tallies. It definitely seems logical, but curiously, this doesn't quite work. For example, the 1921, the 1921-D, and the 1921-S are three of the most common coins in the series. Yet in a grade like MS-66 – a pretty good looking coin, no matter how one measures it – all three of the 1921's are expensive. At least they all cost far more than $300. And studying several of the major price lists indicates that $300 is about as inexpensive as a Morgan dollar gets in the MS-66 grade. So, keeping that in mind, what we've done is tabulate the Morgan dollars which list as $300 coins in MS-66, so we can look at their mintages.

Date	Mint Total
1879-S	9,110,000
1880-S	8,900,000
1881-S	12,760,000
1882-S	9,250,000
1884-O	9,730,000
1885	17,787,000
1885-O	9,185,000
1886	19,963,000
1887	20,290,000
1898-O	4,440,000
1899-O	12,290,000

You can see then the table we've assembled constitutes 11 dates and mint marks within the Morgan dollar series, those for which the price is as reasonable as we can expect. At first glance we can see that every one of these are common dates. That's no surprise; we didn't expect rarities to creep onto such a table. What is a surprise is the range that the totals cover. The 1887 is just a hair less common than the just-mentioned 1921's, and will probably be a common coin for as long as anyone can imagine. But the 1898-O? Well, that's hardly rare, but with 4.4 million to its total, it's a much less common coin. This is an interesting piece of information.

Next, the Peace.

Now after that, it might again seem logical to look at what we've done with the Morgan dollars and apply the exact same method to the Peace dollars. Once again though, this doesn't quite work as expected. In the case of the Peace dollars, this is because the price jump from an MS-65 specimen to an MS-66 is always an enormous one. There are simply no inexpensive MS-66 coins in this series. Yet there are some that only cost about $125 as MS-65 coins. And that's a price we can probably all afford. So once again we'll make a table, this time of Peace dollars that are inexpensive in the MS-65 grade.

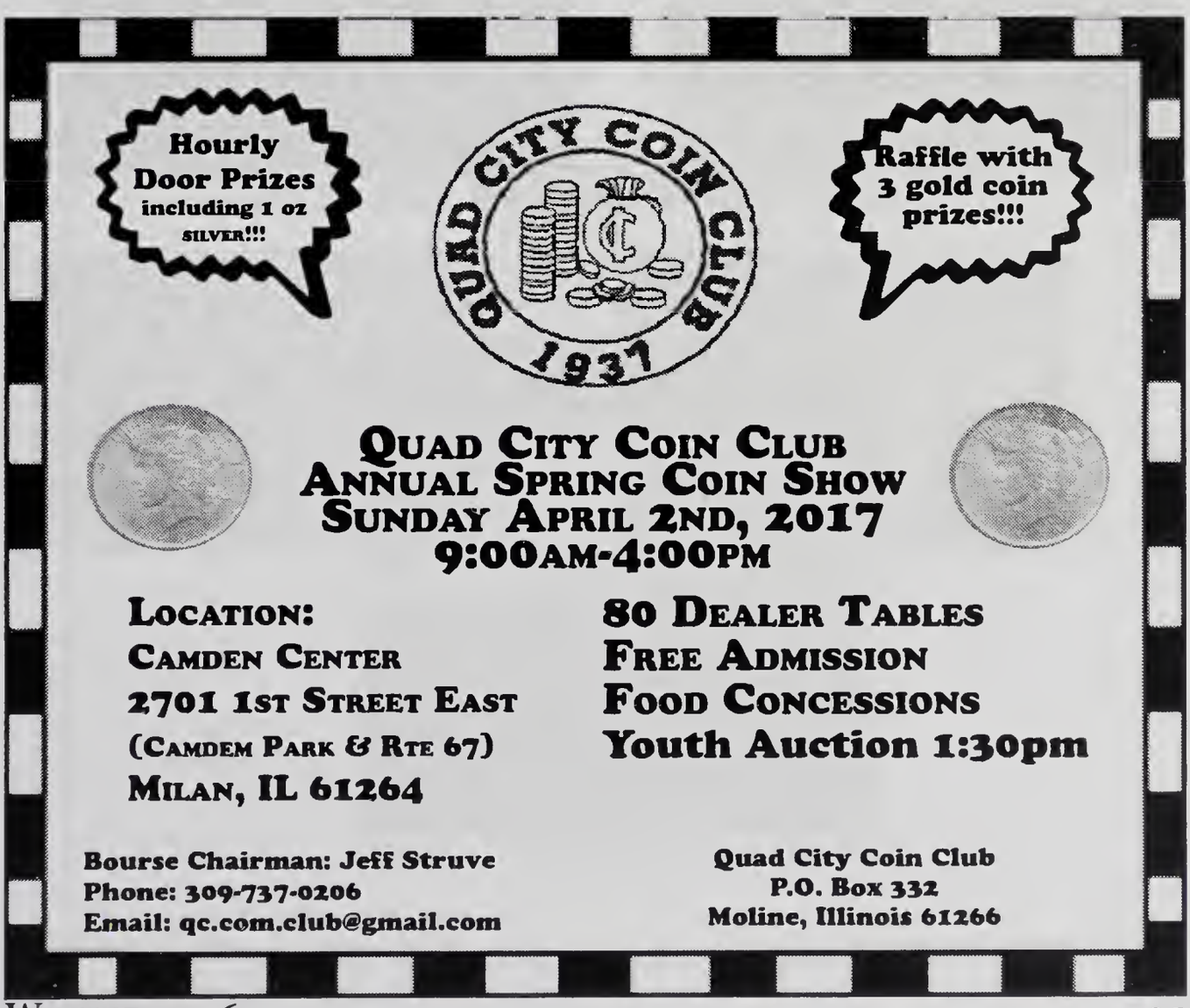
Date	Mint Total
1922	51,737,000
1923	30,800,000
1924	11,811,000
1925	10,198,000

The first coin in our second table, the 1922, is the single most common Peace dollar in the series. But interestingly, the 1925 is not the fourth most common. There are some 'S' marked coins that are more so. Yet these four years, and all of them coins from Philadelphia, are the most affordable in this series.

In looking at it, it appears that the coins produced at Philadelphia in those four years of the early 1920's may have had some minor difference in strike that ultimately resulted in more of them at higher mint state grades. Perhaps it was a mechanical setting, or a minor difference in the way a set of dies were mounted. And whatever little difference there might have been, with how collars or dies were set, might also be the reason so few of these gorgeous dollars have been pegged at MS-66. The high points of the obverse and reverse – meaning Liberty's hair and the eagle's breast feathers – are directly opposite each other. That in turn means that during the strike, metal has to flow farthest at that point. And that may very well have resulted in only a few striking up to the truly high grades within mint state.

Just two?

One of the fun challenges of picking a single Morgan and a single Peace dollar that can serve as our "poor man's duo" of high end silver dollars is actually picking just two! After all, we have eleven Morgan dollars from which to choose. We have four Peace dollars. Whichever we decide, it appears we'll spend about $425 for both of them together. So which ones do we pick? This author would argue there is no one answer to that. Or rather, the broader answer might be to look around, be patient, and find one of each of these that looks like a true gem. We focused on a technical grade for each simply because grade is always attached to price. But eye appeal, well, that's something that can be as individual as the coin. Good luck finding the best of the best!



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2016 saw a donation of 900lbs of books purchased from Whitman that ILNA donated to libraries. This is the 10th year of book donations with totals reaching 4,512 books and 480 booklets to 480 libraries for a total of over 12,000 lbs of books donated.





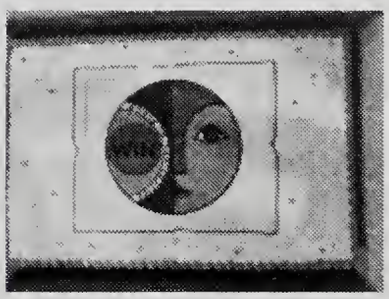
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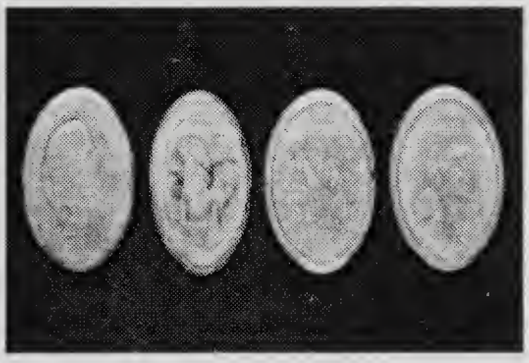


Even though Women in Numismatics' 25 anniversary celebration is over, there are still several sets of elongates (17 to be exact) that can be purchased to commemorate this exciting event! Designed by Ray Dillard of Michigan, the 4-coin set is available for a $10 donation + postage, and includes the following:

1. 2016 quarter featuring the Shawnee National Forest, first quarter for 2016, commemorating our 25th year
2. Susan B. Anthony Dollar
3. Sacagawea Dollar
4. Statue of Liberty Dollar
5. WIN logo on the obverse of all the coins!

As you can see, all of these dollar coins are meant to commemorate important women or symbols of women! There are 2 different kinds of sets: regular reverse, or with an antiqued reverse as shown below. The obverse is the same on both sets.





If you are interested in a set for $10 + $2 postage, please contact Kathy Freeland, publicity chair for Women in Numismatics, at the following address:

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A Message from our Youth Ambassador: Diego Michel

I've seen many kids near my age or under want to start a coin collection. They want to impress their friends and family with an astonishing collection. To get a child hooked on coin collectng, then you must find the correct coins that will keep them interested. Most children want high priced coins to show to their friends. Any coin can easily get them started and worked toward this.

My cousin and I both like coins. If you really want to get a child started with coins, here's what I'd recommend. If starting a US coin collection, you should get a Morgan Silver Dollar. They vary greatly in value but a nice coin can be purchased at a decent price for a new collector. Another idea would be to start collecting all the state and national park quarters to complete a full collection being the goal. If they are more ambitious a kid could attempt to collect all the Mercury dimes that were ever minted. This is a much more expensive collection.

Me and my family enjoy collecting coins from all around the world. We try to collect coins from every country. Coins from Europe are must haves. You can get old Francs from France or Euros from their currently circulating coinage. I also enjoy Pesetas, the old coins from Spain. To collect from the world you must also have coins from Asia, North, South or Central America. This can include coins from Japan, Hong Kong, Russia, China, Mexico, Panama, Somali, Samoa, Qatar, Brazil, Canada, and much more. A great idea would be to give them a coin from a country they want to visit that they haven't been to. This will get them excited about that particular country. These coins can open their eyes to other denominations other than our standard quarter, nickel, dime and penny.

If you do plan to get a child, or someone you know a started in coin collecting, make sure not to get the following: A tax receipt, a food stamp, a token from an arcade, a wooden nickel, or any coin not worth any value, anywhere. Don't get them a token collection, as there are infinite chains of arcades. Don't get a wooden nickel, as anyone can print those for $5 for 100. If it has a value and country, then you should give it for Christmas, birthday, or any time.

Lastly, if they already have a coin collection, or you already have one in mind, make sure to get many individual coin holders, and small boxes or cabinets to store them. Even a binder with many small slots would do. If you also plan to get coins from someone else as a gift, make sure you have put thought into it and make it personalized. If they love collecting, then get a whole bag of coins from Europe or other countries. If they've been collecting american coins for a long time, try giving them a Mercury Dime collection or a US collection they don't have. Give them a guide on a spreadsheet as well, on a cheap flash drive or disc, so they can keep organized.

A coin collection is a great gift, and I would recommend giving it to anyone. Give it to a relative or perhaps a small child to get them to grow their collection as high as their spirits.



30th Anniversary of American Silver Eagle

The American Silver Eagle was originally released on November 24, 1986 and is the official one ounce silver coin of the United States. It's mintage was approved by The Liberty Coin act passed July 9, 1985. Despite the fact that it contains a full troy ounce of silver it's face value is only $1. This fact puts the Silver Eagle in a category of being collectible rather than being a spendable dollar that would be circulated. It is produced by the San Francisco, Philadelphia and West Point Mints and can be found in bullion, uncirculated or proof versions.

The obverse design of "walking liberty" comes from Adolph Weinman and was originally used on the Walking Liberty half dollar. The reverse, depicting a heraldic eagle behind a shield grasphing an olive branch, was designed by John Mercanti. This echos the Great Seal of the United States. Above the eagle are thirteen, five-pointed stars depicting the thirteen colonies.

2016 marks the 30th anniversary of the minting of the American Silver Eagle coin. Despite having minted and distributed a 15th, 20th and 25th anniversary Silver Eagle multi-coin commemorative sets the mint has chosen to not release a set celebrating this 30th anniversary. This leaves some collectors feeling annoyed and disappointed. They did however provide edge lettering on the proof version depicting the 30th anniversary.





Source: www.wikipedia.com, usmint.gov, www.ngccoin.com

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Internet News From our Webmaster: Bruce Perdue

I hope you have noticed the new look at ILNAclub.org? It was recently redesigned with the aim of making the site device friendly, something that Google is pushing with their search engine rankings. The more device friendly the page the better it will rank against pages that are not device friendly. During the redesign I moved the site to a new server where hosting is free for numismatic sites. John Nebel is the owner of the ISP and he hosts, Central States, Numismatic Bibliomania Society and ILNA, as well as a number of additional numismatic sites that I am not the webmaster. I want to thanks John for his time and efforts!

As part of the redesign I want to add a Young Numismatists page. I have wanted to do this for some time, but need a YN to give me some insight on what could go on the page. I recently did this for CentralStates.info using suggestions from Kellen a YN out on the west coast. I need a YN from ILNA to help me with suggestions.

So what else can I put on this page? I am looking for ideas, stories, and just fun things to get YN's interested in collecting. I am writing this a couple of days before Halloween and I just completed making 50 plus grab bags of coin related items to give the kids on Halloween. The bags include elongates (Thanks Ray Dillard), wooden nickels and various coin related stuff I have accumulated over the years. Recently at the ILNA show I purchased $30 worth of Kennedy Half dollars and a number of $2 bills as well. Some of the bags got a half dollar, a couple others got a $2 bill, all of them got multiple elongates, woods and a brief paragraph on coin collecting with the url's for Central States and Illinois Numismatic Association. Heck I may even give them a candy bar as well! For sure the younger ones will get only candy, but the older ones could become collectors!

So if you have YN ideas, or ideas for the YN page. Let me know!

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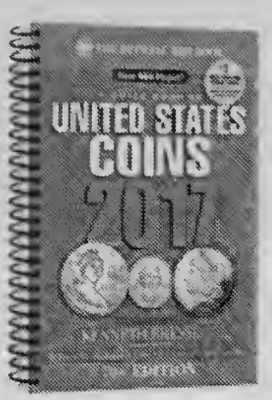
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Location: Chamber of Commerce; 105 N. Central, Paris, IL
Contact: Pat Brazelton 217-463-2217 email: pbraz@joink.com 1231 N. High St. Paris, IL 61944

Local Clubs

Elgin Coin Club
Meetings: First Wednesday of the month 7pm
Location: Elgin VFW Hall ; 1601 Weld Rd., Elgin, IL 60123
Contact: P.O. Box 561, South Elgin, IL 60177

Fairfield Coin Club
Meetings: Second Sunday each month 11am-3pm(except during annual Oct show)
Location: Frontier College; 2 Frontier Dr (hwy 45-15 West) Fairfield, IL
Contact: Roberta Marshel 618-599-2393 email: fairfieldcoinclub@gmail.com
631 County Rd 870 E, Sims, IL 62886

Hillsboro Hiltop Coin Club
Meetings: Last Wednesday of each month 7:30pm (except July)
Location: Challacombe House; 509 School St. Hillsboro, IL
Contact: P.O. Box 22, Gillespie, IL 62033 or email: hiltopcc@yahoo.com

Hillside Coin Club
Meetings: First Monday of each month 7pm
Location: Hillside Community Center; 1 Lind St. Hillside, IL
Contact: www.worksandwords.com/hcc or email hillsidecoinclub@gmail.com
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Indian Hill Coin Club
Meetings: Second Wednesday of each month 8pm
Location: Avon Township Hall; Washington St. Round Lake Park
Contact: Mike Hanninen; 2400 Horeb Ave. Zion, IL 60099

Lake County Coin Club
Meetings: First Tuesday of each month 7pm
Location: Gurnee Police Dept.; 100 N. O'Plaine Rd., Gurnee, IL
Contact: www.lakecountycoinclub-il.com or email: lakecountycoinclub@gmail.com

Mattoon Coin Club
Meetings: First Tuesday of each month 7:30pm
Location: Community Room at the Mattoon YMCA; 221 N. 16th St. Mattoon, IL
Contact: Michael Doran 217-663-0276 or email: mattooncoinclub@yahoo.com

Metro East Coin & Currency Club
Meetings: Third Tuesday of month at 7pm (Sept-Nov and Jan-April)
Location: please email shoreline58@sbcglobal.net for location
Contact: 407 Beltline Rd. Box 227, Collinsville, IL 62234

Oak Forest Numismatic Society
Meetings: First Friday of each month 7:30pm
Location: Oak Forest Community Center; 15501 S. Kilpatrick, Oak Forest, IL
Contact: OFNS; P.O. Box 287, Oak Forest, IL 60452

Quad-City Coin Club
Meetings: Third Thursday of each month 7:30pm
Location: Calvary Lutheran Church; 2900 Ave of the Cities, Moline, IL

Local Clubs

Rantoul Coin Club
Meetings: Second Thursday of each month 7pm
Location: American Lutheran Church; 500 Church Dr. Rantoul, IL
Contact: 203 E. Campbell St. Rantoul, IL 61866

Rockford Area Coin Club
Meetings: Third Thursday of each month 6pm
Location: North Suburban Women's Club; 6320 N. Second St. Loves Pk, IL
Contact: Gary Tennant 815-654-2745 gwtenn@comcast.net

Tazewell Numismatic Society
Meetings: First Thursday of each month 7pm
Location: First United Methodist Church(by hospital);1315 Court St. Pekin, IL
Contact: D. Freidinger 309-353-6178 or P.O. Box 1203; Pekin, IL 61555-1203

Wat-cha-kee Coin Club
Meetings: Second Thursday of each month 7pm (No Meetings June, July and August)
Location: Watseka Senior Center; 213 E. Cherry Street, Watseka, IL
Contact: Kermit Wasmer at 815-432-4636

Will County Coin Club
Meetings: First Thursday of each month 7pm
Location: Plainfield Administrative Building; 23478 W. 135th St., Plainfield, IL (enter through side door off parking lot)
Contact: Mark W. 815-814-3038

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